



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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MINUTES OF THE **SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL INSPECTIONS** **MEETING OF APRIL 28, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Montaña called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Chairperson Montaña led in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

ATTENDANCE

Present

Chairperson Eleanor R. Montaña
Vice Chairperson Frank Bacio
Barbara Bigby
Rita Hall
John Hammargren
Anne S. Hill
Carl E. Moore

Staff

Sandra Barbee, Division Chief
Lee Millen
Jimmy Prieto

APPROVAL OF APRIL 21, 2010 MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Hammargren, seconded by Commissioner Bacio and unanimously carried, the minutes of the meeting of April 21, 2010 were approved with the following edits:

Page 5, NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: ..., "Commissioner Hall's Non-profit organization paid for ~~three~~-two young ladies and one male to attend their prom. ...;"

ADJOURNMENT..., "The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 noon in memory of: Chief, Daryl Gates, LAPD; Dorothy I. Height, civil rights activist and longtime president of the National Council of Negro Women; and Benjamin Hooks, a civil rights leader and former leader of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chairperson Montaña shared the following:

- Attended the memorial service for former L.A.P.D. Chief, Daryl Gates, at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Vice Chairperson Bacio reported that the current bank statement balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund is \$1, 649.93 (reflecting the purchase of a \$100.00 gift card).

STAFF REPORT

Sandra Barbee, Chief, Commission Services, reported that the draft Sybil Brand Commission By-Laws are available for review. Staff will provide copies of several Commission By-Laws, and County Counsel will be contacted concerning two recent visits and whether stipends apply.

Following discussion, the Commission agreed to discuss the By-Laws at the June 2, 2010 Commission meeting.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS ON GROUP HOMES AND/OR DETENTION FACILITIES INSPECTIONS FROM APRIL 1, 2010 TO APRIL 13, 2010

Cerritos Sheriff's Station – Chairperson Montaña

The facility was visited on April 27, 2010 and was found to be in satisfactory condition.

Children Are Our Future – 7, #1 Commissioners Bigby and Hill

The facility was visited on April 23, 2010, and was found to be in unsatisfactory condition.

Areas of Concerns: *No Need and Services Plan*, all 3 bedrooms need painting, mattress and box springs need upgrading in bedroom 1 and 2, need re-caulking of tub inside and around the front of tub, hall needs painting, and need new dresser in all 3 bedrooms. A follow-up inspection is planned in 30 days.

Hathaway-Sicamore Children & Family Services – 22, #2 – Commissioners Bigby and Hill

The facility was visited on April 22, 2010, and was found to be in satisfactory condition.

Areas of Concern: Need to replace blinds in every room, bathroom needs tiles replaced in toilet area, repair holes in (Roland A Hall) wall, and *Needs and Services Plan* needs updating.

Optimist Boy's Home – 31, #4 – Chairperson Montaña

The facility was visited on April 26, 2010, and found to be in satisfactory condition.

NEW BUSINESS/ANNOUNCEMENT

Chair Montaña thanked Sandra Barbee for her invaluable assistance to the Commission over the years, and presented Ms. Barbee a gift card on behalf of the Commission. Ms. Barbee thanked the Commission for the gift and noted that her experience with the Sybil Brand Commission since she began working for the Executive Office has always been pleasant and rewarding.

Chair Montaña invited all to enjoy a piece of cake from the two she prepared for this occasion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:02 p.m.